For:

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

in re Application of :)

David Carl BURDICK, et al.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the April 23, 2003 decision of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1-6, 8, 24, and 25. The Office Action set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A one-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, this NOTICE OF APPEAL is timely filed with an executed certificate of mailing on or before August 25, 2003, because August 23, 2003 was a Saturday. 37 CFR §§ 1.7, 1.8, and 1.136.

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